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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SOPN, US, GW
SUBJECT: EVANS AND NOVAK ARTICLE ON GERMANY
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1. THE EMBASSY IS OF THE OPINION THAT TO BE SILENT
AND REFER QUESTIONS, PARTICULARLY FROM THE MEDIA
TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR ANSWER, ESPECIALLY WITH A WEEKEND
COMING UP, IS COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE. TO BE SILENT
WILL IMPLY, IN THE MINDS OF AT LEAST SOME QUESTIONERS,
THAT THERE IS SOME CREDENCE GIVEN TO THE ARTICLE'S
ALLEGATIONS. FURTHER, THERE IS POSSIBILITY THAT NO
QUESTION WILL BE RAISED AT DEPARTMENT'S NOON BRIEFING,
WHICH WILL PUT THE PROPOSED QUESTION AND ANSWER GUIDANCE
ON ICE.

2. NO COMMENT FURTHER COULD STRENGTHEN DOUBT AMONG
SOME GERMAN POLITICIANS THAT MISAPPREHENSION EXISTS IN
WASHINGTON ABOUT GERMAN CONSTANCY IN THE US-FRG BILATERAL
RELATIONSHIP. A CASE IN POINT IS REPORTS CIRCULATING IN
BONN THAT DR. BRZEZINSKI AND OTHERS PERCEIVE A
"SELF-FINLANDIZATION" IN WESTERN EUROPE, SPECIFICALLY
IN THE FRG.

3. CONSEQUENTLY EMBASSY REQUESTS THAT IT BE AUTHORIZED
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TO USE THE Q AND A SECTION OF REFTEL TO ANSWER
QUESTIONS ON AN IF ASKED BASIS.
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